


City, Village or Town: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WAUKESHA		County: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WAUKESHA		Surveyor: HNTB		Date: 2/10/82		N. Grand Avenue
Street Address: 407 N. Grand Avenue <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				Legal Description: Addendum		Acreage: Less than one acre		
Current Name & Use: Residence - Office				Current Owner: Robert W. & Margaret Wulf				
Film Roll No.				Current Owner's Address: W 300 S 3509 Snowden Drive				407
Negative No.				Special Features Not Visible In Photographs: An original marble fireplace remains on the first floor level.				
Facade Orient.				See Continuation Sheet Interior visited? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No				
Original Name & Use: (preferred) John, Howitt House <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Source: C	Previous Owners		Dates	Uses	Source	Map Code
Dates of Construction / Alteration: between 1874 and 1880		Source: A/B						
Architect and/or Builder: Not known		Source:						
3 Architectural Significance <input type="radio"/> Represents work of a master <input type="radio"/> Possesses high artistic values <input checked="" type="radio"/> Represents a type, period, or method of construction <input type="radio"/> Is a visual landmark in the area <input type="radio"/> Other: _____ <input type="radio"/> None			4 Historical Significance <input type="radio"/> Assoc. with lives of significant persons <input type="radio"/> Assoc. with significant historical events <input type="radio"/> Assoc. with development of a locality <input type="radio"/> Other: _____ <input checked="" type="radio"/> None					Map Name
Architectural Statement: See Continuation Sheet			Historical Statement: See Continuation Sheet					
5 Sources of Information (Reference to Above) A does not appear on Birds Eye Map of Waukesha 1874 B appears on Birds Eye Map of Waukesha 1880 C Waukesha Tax Rolls 1880 (UWM-ARC) D Waukesha City Directory 1891 E F			6 Representation in Previous Surveys <input type="radio"/> HABS <input type="radio"/> NAER <input checked="" type="radio"/> WIHP <input type="radio"/> NRHP <input type="radio"/> landmark <input type="radio"/> other: _____ 7 Condition <input type="radio"/> excellent <input checked="" type="radio"/> good <input type="radio"/> fair <input type="radio"/> poor <input type="radio"/> ruins 8 District: _____ <input type="radio"/> pivotal <input type="radio"/> contributing <input type="radio"/> non-contributing initials: _____ date: _____ 9 Opinion of National Register Eligibility <input checked="" type="radio"/> eligible <input type="radio"/> not eligible <input type="radio"/> unknown <input type="radio"/> national <input type="radio"/> state <input checked="" type="radio"/> local initials: DS/CC					Map Code 1/20

HOWITT HOUSE (407 N. Grand Avenue)
Intensive Survey Form - Continuation Sheet (1)

ARCHITECTURAL STATEMENT:

Description: The Howitt house is among the finest of the Victorian Gothic style buildings in Waukesha. The walls, constructed of cream city brick, rise two stories (with an attic) above a cut limestone foundation. The asymmetrically composed building is crowned by a truncated hip roof from which front and cross gables project. The roof is steeply pitched and covered with wood shingles. A pair of brick chimneys pierce the center of the hip roof. Gable peaks are graced with perforated details resembling decorative trusswork. A similar ornament accents a gablet which adjoins the front gable. Windows appear in pairs on the front gable and, like the remainder of the single windows, are narrow 1/1 sash capped by brick stilted arches with stone keystones. A two story bay window occupies the south gable and is detailed in a similar manner. The building was converted to commercial use in 1973 and the interior was remodeled with offices on the first floor, an apartment on the second. A frame addition has replaced a porch on the north elevation, and the front porch is a twentieth century replacement, however, these modifications do not seriously detract from the design.

Significance: Architecturally significant as a representative example of a period of construction, the Howitt house is one of the best examples of the Victorian Gothic style remaining in Waukesha. The building material, cream city brick, is also a notable feature as is the retention of the original roofing material. Other comparable examples of the style remain at 234 Carroll Street (Wk 39/32), 501 Barney Street (Wk 38/17), 712 N. East Avenue (Wk 2/15).

HISTORICAL STATEMENT:

John M. Howitt was the proprietor of a flouring mill and cheese factory in Mukwonago. (D)

ADDENDUM

Legal Description: Sec SE3 T6N R19E Cutler & Dakin's Add.
Blk G Pt Lot A3: Com E 11 Grand Ave 305' S of S 11
Carroll St; E 150'; S para Grand 5" SW para Carroll
150' to E 11 Grand N 57½' to beg.

UTM: Zone 16
Easting: 399650
Northing: 4762060
USGS Waukesha Quadrangle/Scale: 1:24,000